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### **SARGENT ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT IMPROVES SAFETY OF NORTH SIDE ROADWAY**

*Area residents, community leaders pleased with city's improvement efforts*

INDIANAPOLIS – After years of ride-ability, drainage and traffic safety concerns along Sargent Road from Fall Creek to 86<sup>th</sup> Street, area residents are experiencing well deserved relief as a result of recent improvements to the well-traveled thoroughfare.

The Indianapolis Department of Public Works (DPW) recently finalized a ten-month resurfacing project that included several major enhancements to the road.

“Mayor Ballard did an excellent job of listening to and addressing citizen concerns in reference to Sargent Road,” said City-County Councillor Michael J. McQuillen. “As a result, DPW did an outstanding job of improving this stretch of road and area residents are extremely pleased with their work.”

Earlier this year Mayor Greg Ballard attended a Sargent Road Association (SRA) neighborhood meeting and heard first hand the concerns of many residents in the area.

“Problems have persisted for a long time on Sargent Road,” said SRA member Nolan Cooper. “We appreciate Councilor McQuillen and other city officials actually hearing our concerns and taking action to get the job done right.”

Part of the city's 2009 Resurfacing Program and one of the last resurfacing projects of the year to be completed, the Sargent Road Resurfacing Project was bid to Milestone Contractors L. P. in January. The cost was approximately \$900,000. In addition to asphalt repaving work to better road ride-ability, improvements include enhancements to allow better drainage, raised pavement markers, new striping and new, clearer signage.

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